Ampicillin at Rs. 1450/- per kg. in the market;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the prices of formulations based on Ampicillin are sold at a price of Rs. 2080/- per kg.

(c) when was the cost of the drug studied by BICP and what price of Ampicillin was recommended; and

(d) what steps have been taken to make the finished medicinies based on this drug available at fair prices;

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) 6 APA is a drug intermediate and is not price controlled. Reports of sale of Ampicillin at a price less than the notified price have been received.

(b) Ceiling leader prices of formulations are based on the notified price of Ampicillin plus incidentals whereas non-ceiling prices are based on the notified price or the market price whichever is lower.

(c) The Bureau of Industrial Costs and Prices is yet to send its findings on the fair price of this drug after the promulgation of Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1987.

(d) The Bureau of Industrial Costs and Prices have been asked to make available its findings on the fair price of this bulk drug and the formulations based thereon within three months.

**Production stage of Chlorpromazine**

345. SHRI SHANKAR DAYAL SINGH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1638 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 26th March, 1990 and state:

(a) what is the stage from which M/s. May and Baker is producing Chlorpromazine;

(b) what is the source from which they are importing the intermediate and what is the quantity imperted during the last three years, year-wise and what was the CIF price and landed cost of each imported consignment;

(c) whether it is a fact that the import content per Kg of the drug is more than the CIF import price of the drug if so, what is the import content per Kg; and

(d) what steps have been taken to rectify the situation?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) to (d) Information will be collected and placed on the Table of the House.

**Complaints against officers**

346. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry have received specific complaints about corrupt practices including short assessment of liabilities and favour to few drug companies by exempting their products from price control;

(b) if so, what is the number of complaints received against each bureaucrat upto 15th April, 1990;

(c) what are the names of such bureaucrats and charges levelled in each complaint;

(d) what action has been taken on each complaint;

(e) details of complaints which have been investigated;